

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2003 Assembly Bill 32

Assembly Amendment 1

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Assembly Bill 32 directs the Department of Transportation (DOT) to designate and mark the entire route in this state of state trunk highway (STH) 122 as the "Harriet Tubman Memorial Highway" in recognition and appreciation of the life of Harriet Tubman, a leader in the movement to abolish slavery in the 19th Century who led over 300 slaves to freedom in the North on the Underground Railroad.

Assembly Amendment 1 amends the bill so that STH 122 is designated and marked as the "Sherman Booth" Memorial Highway, rather than the "Harriet Tubman" Memorial Highway. Sherman Booth was a leader in the movement to abolish slavery in the 19th Century who, as one of the first members of the Free Soil Party in Wisconsin, who was instrumental in the liberation of Joshua Glover, a fugitive slave.

Legislative History

On December 16, 2003, the Assembly Committee on Transportation recommended for adoption Assembly Amendment 1 by a vote of Ayes, 11; Noes, 4.

The Assembly Committee on Transportation recommended passage of the bill, as amended, by a vote of Ayes, 9; Noes, 6.

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